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COUNTRY <u>Poland</u>	REPORT
TOPIC <u>Polish Troops near Deblin and Soviet Troops in Lowicz</u>	
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REMARKS <u>This is UNEVALUATED</u>	

1. On 24 June 1954, a Polish engineer camp, which consisted of 27 four-man tents and 43 house tents, was observed near Deblin (R 52/L 51), about 50 meters north of the main railroad line on the west bank of the Vistula River. Rowing of pontoons was practiced in a small bay at the west bank of the river. The exercise involved 8 to 10 pontoons, each occupied by about 24 soldiers. The preliminary construction of a concrete bridge, about 200 meters long, on 10 piers had been completed about 600 to 800 meters north of the railroad bridge across the Vistula River. Construction work was still under way.
 2. On 24 June 1954, 250 to 300 Polish soldiers were seen in a simulated attack toward the railroad line near Deblin in the area between the Vistula River and the Izenka brook. The soldiers wore brown fatigue uniforms, field caps with the Polish Eagle, high boots and leather leggings, leather belt and cartridge pockets. They were armed with carbines and light machine guns and used blank cartridges. The exercise did not include enemy forces.
 3. Source again stated that Soviet sentries were posted in the installation about 1 km northwest of the Lowicz-Glowny (Q 59/P 27) railroad station on 16 June 1954. Source pointed out that Polish and Soviet soldiers can easily be distinguished by their footwear. Soviet soldiers always wore high boots and Polish soldiers laced shoes with short leggings and ski-type trousers.
 4. Prior to 27 June 1954, neither Polish nor Soviet soldiers were stationed in Sommerfeld (O 52/A 97).
1. Comment. Possibly a summer camp of engineer units.
 2. Comment. Polish engineers wear high boots and Soviet soldiers occasionally wear laced boots with leggings.

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